

MEMORANDA OF A SUICIDE.

**"I HAVE TAKEN MORPHINE—NOT
ENOUGH MORPHINE TRY ROBE"**

**"May God have Mercy Upon—Done this—
Good By, Wife; Good By, Barber; Good
By, Agnes—Daughter Forgive"—Death.**

For nearly thirty years the signboard of John Wettlaufer, dentist, has been swinging in the neighborhood of Third avenue and Thirty-third street. Lately it has been at 171 East Thirty-third street. The dentist was a large, portly, good-looking German of 46 years, frank and jovial in manners. He let his un-

A year ago the dentist's only son, Willie, ran away from home, and he has not since been heard from. He went to drinking heavily to drown his sorrows in blue, and he began to get terrible headaches and periods of nervous prostration. He suspected that he began to drug himself.

Last Friday he called on his friend, Dr. E. D. Russell, for treatment. He said he was going to quit drinking. He replied that he had decided to give up drinking altogether and that he would give him a bottle of his medicinal, but when Wettulauer protested that he was not sick enough for that, Dr. Russell advised the Doctor from his office window. He said that he was not sick enough to be dropped into Fritze's shop for awhile. He seemed well and jolly. He picked up a newspaper and looked at the headlines.

Druggist Rosenzang by morphine in the Central Hotel in West street. He was much interested in the headlines. Returning home early, he found his father, Fritz, and a young man sitting on the piano when he came in later. At 11 o'clock the young man had been back.

When Mrs. Wettulauer awoke yesterday morning she found her husband in bed.

morning at 7:30 o'clock, her husband had gone
 to work. In the kitchen, entry to the basement and
 found him hanging by a clothes line from a gas
 pipe which runs along the ceiling. He had
 been shot in the back of the head, the bullet
 having hit the back of his head, and he was
 hanging, his feet barely scraped the floor. His
 body was cold.
 A paper found on the kitchen table bore
 certain words and almost illegible words
 per se. The first line was taken from the
 To the Condemner—Sir: I have taken morphine—
 not been taken to a madhouse—I am not insane. Yours
 J. W. Petroler, a well known
 An irregular line, lower down, in a more trem-
 bling hand, read: I am not insane. Yours
 not enough morphine
 Further down the page, in an almost illegible
 hand, is hastily written the horrible determina-
 tion: I will try rope
 Then it is supposed he prepared the means
 for the end he finally accomplished. When all
 was ready, his hand that is very difficult to
 hold, he added to the story of his struggles
 this:

may God have mercy upon (unliterate words) come
 (good by dear wife—good by barbaric good by Agnes
 The last words here look like "Raokling &
 Co.," but Mrs. Wettelaar says they can have no
 meaning. On the back was written in German
 sister farewells to his sister and friends.
 All his friends say he had no business
 coming. He was a very good man, but
 than most men. He had been building a mad-
 house at Freeport. His reference to a mad-
 house was in his disordered mind at the moment. The
 man had never entered anybody's thoughts be-
 fore.

A CATHOLIC CHURCH CONSECATED
 Handsome Decorations in the Reffitter
 Church of the Immaculate Conception.

The Roman Catholic Church of the Im-
 maculate Conception in East Fourteenth street

which has recently been entirely refitted and redecorated, was consecrated yesterday morning with an imposing ceremonial. Archbishop Corrigan was the celebrant at the 7 o'clock service. The assisting priests were the Very Rev. Father Henry Gabriel, President of St. Joseph's Seminary, Troy, deacon, the Rev. Father John Hughes of St. Jerome's, deacon, the Rev. Dennis Paul O'Flynn of Sault Ste. Marie, deacon, the Rev. Father John Kane, St. James's; the Rev. Father John Healey, St. Bernard's; the Rev. Father Burns, St. Ignace; the Rev. Father O'Connell, St. Patrick's; the Rev. Father Richmond, S. I.; the Rev. Father Lynch, Church of the Transfiguration.

The most important change in the interior of the church is the erection of a high altar of Mexican onyx, with panels and columns of Mexican onyx. Above the door of the tabernacle is a picture of the Virgin Mary, 12 feet high, 12 feet long, and costing \$4,500, contributed by the congregation. The altar is flanked by two windows, one on each side, which are represented the Virgin Mary, 12 feet high, 12 feet long, and costing \$4,500, contributed by the congregation. The altar is flanked by two windows, one on each side, which are represented the Virgin Mary, 12 feet high, 12 feet long, and costing \$4,500, contributed by the congregation.

The Work Goes On Without Gibbs.
Ex-President Gibbs of the Manhattan Temperance Association was not present at yesterday's meeting of the association at Coopers Union. The Hon. W. Jennings Demorest was in the chair. The other presiding officers are the Rev. Dr. I. K. Funk and the Hon. Horace Waters. Dr. Funk will preside for the first month, beginning with next Sunday, and Mr. Waters will serve for the next month, and Mr. Demorest will preside for the third month. It is smaller than on the previous Sunday, and the number of Gibbs's friends who ventured in stood at 100. The Rev. Dr. Funk presided over the service while the Hon. John Lloyd Thomas was speaking. Gibbs's choir has been reorganized on the same basis as the choir of the First Baptist Church.

Highwaysmen in West Houston Street.
Patrick Reilly, a laborer, of 116 Tenth avenue, was beaten in Houston street, near West Houston street, by a bunch of highwaymen, who carried him into a lumber yard nearby, and robbed him of his watch and \$19. Half an hour later four men attacked a pedestrian in Houston street, between Hudson and Varick streets, and robbed him of his watch. He reported to a policeman, who directed him to the Princeton station, but he did not go there to give evidence. He was later taken to the station, beaten down and robbed at Bedford and Houston streets. No arrests have been made in either of these cases.

News from an Earthquake Prophet.
TO THE EDITOR OF THE RUS—Sir: Some of the earthquakes and explosions which I predicted for the year 1906, have been fulfilled. I have a paper, and eight, therefore, to be inserted in the paper.

person in order to warn people from danger. The earthquakes which will take place Dec. 15 and 16 and 22 and 23 will be the greatest, but the others will be dangerous also. Moreover, the earthquakes for December will take place Dec. 13, 15, and 16, 22 and 23, 26 and 27, 30 and 31. Storms, Dec. 15, 16, 17, and 18; Dec. 12 and 13. Greatest storm and earthquake for this year.

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Teressa Wren, 28, said, "at a late hour on Saturday night called at the home of Mrs. King, 29 Thacker Street, and asked for a glass of water. When the water was given her she swallowed some rat poison with it and then went on drinking the stuff when Mrs. King discovered it from her breath, arrested and locked her up in the Filthiest station. She said she had been deserted by her lover and wanted to die."

The conference between the Executive Committees of the Empire Protective Association and President Lewis of the City Railroad will be resumed on Wednesday. There are a few important points of differences to be discussed. It does not seem as if the employees are going to give way.

The fight for the extension of the bridge up Washington street to the City Hall square will be begun at the meeting of bridge trustees to-morrow. The Downtown Merchants' Association is going to oppose any steps looking toward the extension of the bridge beyond Concord street. The bridge is much divided.

The delegates to the Brooklyn Central Labor Union a meeting yesterday afternoon in Labor Lyceum, Myrtle street, Willsburgh, settled the discussion about the tailors holding a red flag principles by deciding to support the committee that there was nothing in the constitution of the tailors union that would prevent the constitution of the tailors union.

rant such a report. The constitution, the committee said, was the same as that of other trades unions.